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In re Application of

Applicant : Keegan et al.
Serial No. : 09/965,142
Filed : September 27, 2001
Title : ALUMINUM METAL-CORE WELD WIRE AND METHOD FOR
FORMING THE SAME
Docket : 483471-009C1
Art Unit : 1725

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)

In response to the "Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," a copy of which is attached, applicants submit herewith a Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by both James M. Keegan and Sundaram Nagarajan on behalf of themselves and the non-signing inventor Sushil R. Jana. This Declaration and Power of Attorney correctly states that the signors acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability of the application as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal regulations, §1.56. The residence and mailing address of the non-signing inventor also correspond to the last known address as identified in the original Petition.

Applicants note that at the time of execution of the prior Declaration, Mr. Nagarajan was not a citizen of the United States. However, Mr. Nagarajan has since become a citizen of the United States and therefore the Declaration and Power of Attorney as submitted herewith properly identifies Mr. Nagarajan as a United States citizen.

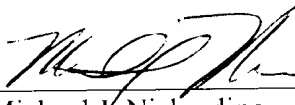
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All other requirements for the grant of the Petition having been previously met, applicants believe that the submission of the accompanying Declaration and Power of Attorney places this Petition in condition for grant, and applicants respectfully request the same.

Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions regarding this paper.

Respectfully submitted,


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